From: <u>Sunset Advisory Commission</u>

To: Brittany Calame

Subject: FW: Public Input Form for Agencies Under Review (Public/After Publication)

**Date:** Friday, August 17, 2018 7:28:13 AM

----Original Message-----

From: sunset@sunset.texas.gov <sunset@sunset.texas.gov> On Behalf Of Texas Sunset Commission

Sent: Thursday, August 16, 2018 8:32 PM

To: Sunset Advisory Commission <Sunset@sunset.texas.gov>

Subject: Public Input Form for Agencies Under Review (Public/After Publication)

Agency: TEXAS BOARD PROFESSIONAL GEOSCIENTISTS TBPG

First Name: thomas

Last Name: cool

Title: Geoscientist

Organization you are affiliated with: AAPG, Houston Geological Society, Texas Board Professional Geoscientists

Email:

City: Richmond

State: Texas

Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or

Opposed: I am writing to express my opposition to the proposal before you to dissolve the TBPG. I have been working in the Oil and Gas Industry for 38+

years, a member of TBPG since 2003. Abolishing the TBPG will remove this

group which serves many purposes to the residents of Texas, most importantly it registers and monitors geoscientists in Texas which makes sure that licensed individuals practice ethical working processes and procedures. By dissolving the TBPG will open the way for other people to claim to be Geoscientists and ultimately lead to problems resulting from non-licensed individuals making assessments that are not based on experience or technical training. Other technical people, like engineers, are not trained nor do they have the technical experience to take the place of Geoscientists (i.e.

Geologists, Geophysicists, Petrophysicists, etc.).

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Alternative is to retain the TBPG

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree